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week.

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Importers of
DIAMONDS AND
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790 CHAPEL ST., NEW HAVEN
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Five New Player Pianos made for
Exhibition Purposes
Must Be Sold at Once

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AWNINGS
AND
DECORATIONS

F. J. Abercrombie

636 WATER ST.

CLABBY GETS DECISION.

New Orleans, Dec. 20.—Guy Buck-
ley, hanging on with bulging sinu-
sitis, lasted ten rounds with Jimmy
Clabby Saturday night, the latter man
getting the decision on points.
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ishment. He could not evade the
short arm blows that Clabby rained
by the dozen when the fighters were
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ropes, where, with head down, the
Milwaukee lad pummeled with both
hands, while Buckley covered, now
and then sending back a jab to the
abdomen or missing a swing aimed
for the jaw.

LISTEN

Don't burn your money; you
might as well shovel your dollars
into the fire as to put poor Coal
into your stove, grate or furnace.
If you come here you will get
the best COAL on the market.

Patrick McGee,

289 East

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from \$1.00 per day upward; with
private bath from \$1.50 per day
upward.

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Buy Irish's Pies.

SOLD AT ALL STORES

Be sure and order a Fries Pie for
dinner today. We have all kinds and
you are sure to be satisfied.

WANT ADS. CENT A WORD.

BOWLING.

GAMES THIS WEEK.

Industrial League.
Dec. 20—Ashcroft Co. vs. Handy &
Harmon.
Dec. 20—Cornwall-Patterson Co. vs.
Cudaby Packing Co.
Dec. 21—Holmes and Edwards vs.
Jennings Bros.
Dec. 22—American Graphophone
Co. vs. American & British Co.
Dec. 23—A. W. Burritt Co. vs.
Bridgeport Brass Co.

Arcade Duck League.

Dec. 20—Wallpapers vs. East Side
Dec. 21—West Ends vs. South Ends
Dec. 22—Arcades vs. Hanovers.
Dec. 23—Centrals vs. North Ends

POLO

Waterbury lost the roller polo game
at Worcester on Saturday night, 11
to 7. Fall River lost at Brockton, 6
to 2. Toner played at halfback for
Brockton. He went to Brockton from
Amsterdam, N. Y., in exchange for
Saunders. It was the first deal under
the new roller polo agreement. The
standing:

Full River W. L. P.C.
New Bedford 23 14 702
Worcester 26 22 542
Fawtucket 26 22 522
Waterbury 26 22 476
Providence 19 27 413
Brockton 14 28 333
Taunton 14 31 311

Young Emmet Football Asso.

The Young Emmet Football Asso-
ciation, composed largely of those who
three weeks ago formed a new
Gaelic Football association, was or-
ganized yesterday at the rooms of the
United Irish Societies in State street.
The members of the new organization
claim that the club formed two weeks
ago has deviated from the purpose for
which it was formed and has taken in
members of other than Irish birth or
parentage. The new organization, by
its constitution and by-laws promises
to adhere strictly to the qualification
of Irish birth or descent. Officers were
elected as follows:

President Michael Flanagan; vice
president, W. B. Lyddy; recording sec-
retary William O'Neill; financial sec-
retary Thomas Coleman; treasurer John
Farrell; finance committee, P. J. Mur-
phy, William Flaherty, Richard Ry-
der, and Patrick Norton; standing
committee John Ford, Patrick Garvey,
Thomas Bevy, Richard Sullivan, John
J. Foley; manager Michael Flanagan;
captain Daniel McCarthy; vice cap-
tain Patrick Norton.

DAVY RYAN AND VAILONE

FIGHT TONIGHT IN ELM CITY.

Principal Bout Will Introduce Bun-
ny Ford and Jeff Doherty.

Davy Ryan, the "Fighting Black-
smith" of this city, accompanied by a
band of trainers, admirers, etc., will
invade New Haven this evening, for
he meets "Topsy Vailone" of Waterbury
in the semi-final bout at Music Hall
before the Olympic A. C. Ryan has
been training ardently at the rooms
of the St. Joseph T. B. Society
on Barnum avenue, and is now in
good trim to give an argument wor-
thy of a representative of the Park
City.

The big bout of the evening will
be between Bunny Ford and Jeff
Doherty, both of New Haven. The
result will settle the New England
lightweight championship.

JEFF IS CAUTIOUS

SAYS BUMP READER.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 20.—James
J. Jeffries' bump of caution is far
better developed than his bump of
combativeness for a man of his age,
according to a phrenologist who ex-
amined the pugilist's head here. This
is the first time Jeffries was exam-
ined by a phrenologist and he said he
considered the verdict a good omen.

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Next Big

Horse Sale

WILL BE HELD

Wednesday, Dec. 22,

AT 1:30 P.M.

171 JOHN STREET

We will have 50 to 60 head of
draught and business horses—horses
to suit any kind of business. We
will sell every Wednesday at 1:30
p. m. Horses, wagons, harness sold
on commission. Largest distributor
of horse flesh in eastern Connecticut.

B. F. CANNING

135 Commercial Street, New Haven.

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171 John Street, Bridgeport.

(Sale every Wednesday.)

Listen for the bell every Wednesday.

Backman's Emmenagogue Mixture—
A splendid female regulator in
cases of suppressed menstruation,
delays due to colds, ill health, or other
natural causes \$1.75 for the whole
cure.

THE WOMAN'S DRUG SHOP

Wilma M. Backman, Prop.

229 State St., Bridgeport, Conn.

ADVERTISE IN THE FARMER.

DORANDO COLLAPSES IN

Twenty-third Mile.

Opponent Gardner Establishes New
Indoor Record in London
Marathon.

London, Dec. 20.—Dorando Pietri,
the Italian runner, collapsed at the
twenty-third mile of his Marathon
race against B. W. Gardner, a local
runner, in Albert Hall, Saturday.
Gardner's time for the twenty-
three miles was 2 hours 12 minutes
and 25 seconds, a new world's in-
door record. His time for the full
distance was 2 hours 27 minutes and
12 seconds.

SAYS BASEBALL MEN

ARE WHITE SLAVES.

Wilkes-Barre Manager Says He Won't
Pay For Slave, and Dishonors

Note.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 20.—That
the sale of a baseball player from one club
to another is a direct violation of the
15th amendment of the Constitution
of the United States which prohibits
slavery, is a point raised in the Lu-
zerne county court here in a suit in-
volving the transfer of a player from
one organization to another. The suit
is expected among baseball club own-
ers and players.

Last July the owners of the Wilkes-
Barre club of the New York State
league bought from the Allentown
team of the Atlantic league the release
of Pitcher Joseph Pelequin. The price
agreed upon was \$500. Three hun-
dred dollars was paid in cash and a note
was given for the balance. The note
was allowed to go to protest, and Man-
ager McGeehan of the Allentown club,
who negotiated the sale of Pelequin,
brought suit to recover the \$200. A
justice of the peace gave judgment
against the Wilkes-Barre club.

Manager Clymer of the Wilkes-Barre
club has filed with the court a de-
fense in the suit. He holds that the
sale of a baseball player is a direct
violation of the 15th amendment of
the federal Constitution, and therefore
that the note given is void. Clymer
also filed other reasons why the note
should not be paid, one being that
the note was not valid unless counter-
signed by the directors of the club.
The court will not take action in the
matter until next month.

TOMMY DOWNEY'S

AVERAGE WAS .331.

President Heyder Gives Out Official

Batting Average of the National

Leaguers.

New York, Dec. 20.—Hans Wagner,
shortstop of the Pittsburgh Baseball
club, again leads the batters of the
National league with a percentage of
.331 in the official batting average
made public by President John Hey-
der, of the National League. Wagner
wielded the willow effectively making
hits a total of 32 out of 97 at bat.
Fielder Mitchell of Cincinnati, batted
.310. Bescher of Cincinnati, led the
base stealers, pilfering 34 bases.

Pittsburgh led in team bat-
ting with an average of .329. The world's cham-
pions also led in run-getting com-
pleting the circuit 701 times.

The statistics of the work done by
the leading batters of the league are
as follows:

Wagner of Pittsburgh played in 137
games, was at bat 465 times, made 35
runs, 168 hits, 30 doubles, 10 triples,
five homers, 27 sacrifice hits, stole 35
bases and averaged .331. Mitchell of
Cincinnati batted in 129 games, made
39 runs, 124 hits, 20 doubles, 10 tri-
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The team batting was:

Pittsburgh289

New York284

Cincinnati259

Chicago245

Philadelphia244

St. Louis243

Boston238

Brooklyn233

Tommy Downey of this city in his
first year with the majors batted for
221 in 137 games, made 39 runs, 124
hits, had 19 sacrifice hits and stole 16
bases.

NEWTOWN

The 3rd series of attractive enter-
tainments under the auspices of the
Men's Literary club will take place
tomorrow evening at the Town hall
when Miss Mabel Mullins' musical
and humorous reciter will appear. Miss
Mullins comes highly recommended.

Miss Genevieve Brown of Bridge-
port has been the guest of Mrs. Wil-
liam Egan, Walnut Tree Hill.

Mrs. Michael Murphy and daughter,
Elizabeth, spent Saturday in the Park
City.

Miss Julia B. Duncombe of Bridge-
port spent Sunday with her mother,
Mrs. George F. Duncombe.

John Leavy of Bridgeport was a
Sunday guest of his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Thomas Leavy.

Mrs. Kate Ward of Bridgeport has
been the guest of her father, Maurice
Leavy.

Congregational Notes.—Rev. Alexan-
der Steele took his text Sunday morn-
ing from Gal. 6:2, "the sweetest being
"Church and Charity." The Chris-
tian Endeavor service with a Chris-
tian lesson was led by Mrs. Henry M.
Smith. A short address was given
by Rev. Mr. Steele and a Christmas
story read by Miss Jessie Taylor. The
regular weekly prayer meeting will be
held next Thursday evening. The sub-
ject of Rev. Alexander Steele's sermon
next Sunday will be "The Christmas
Message and Its Value to us." The
Sunday school Christmas recita-
tions will be held in the church next
Friday evening.

Trinity Notes.—Rev. J. H. George
preached on the "Security of Heaven"
Sunday morning. Tuesday St.
Thomas Day. Holy Communion will
be celebrated in the church private. Tues-
day evening the members of the Con-
gregational will meet and devote the
church for Xmas. Friday evening at
7 o'clock the usual Christmas Eve ser-
vice will be held. Saturday Christmas
morning service and Holy Communion
at 10:30. The offering will be for the
poor and infirm. Next Sunday St.
Stephen's day services and Holy
Communion at 10.

St. Rose's Notes.—Friday morning at
9 o'clock there will be a monthly re-
quirement mass for the repose of the
soul of Mrs. Charles McBeth. Friday
morning at 9 o'clock instructions for
children in preparation for their
Christmas confession. Parents are
urged to see that their children pre-
sent themselves. Christmas morning
masses will be celebrated at 8 and 10
o'clock. The usual Christmas offer-
ing will be taken up at both masses.
Confessions will be heard Friday af-
ternoon and evening and before the 10
o'clock mass. Christmas morning
prayers will be offered for Rev. P.
Funnell, Rev. Michael Rienny of
Severmont, Mrs. Catherine Rowe of
Bridgeport, Edward Delaney of Wat-
terbury, William Chapman of Ruess's
Ave., S. A. Paul Clark of N. Y. and
Patrick Deane of Newtown.

Christmas mass at St. Stephen's
church Stephy will be celebrated at
7:15 and 9 o'clock, South-
bury at 10:30.

ELKS' TOURNEY IS

OFF FOR XMAS WEEK

Many Would Be Unable to Take Part
and Spectators Would Be Scarce.

The Bowling committee of the Lodge
of Elks, who have charge of the tour-
ney in progress for the past few weeks
at their home on State street, because
of the busy days and the bucking even-
ings this week, have postponed all the
games scheduled for the week. This
action is taken because most of the
bowlers will find it impossible to go on
while the spectators who seem to have
great fun with the artists will be
scarce. The schedule will go on as
usual, starting next week.

POINTS OF INTEREST

Christmas Goods.

Are being displayed in abundance at
the Hardware Store of W. Fray, East
End of Center Bridge.

E. H. Dillon & Co.

1105 Main street, are offering extra-
ordinary price reductions in furs,
scarfs, fur muffs, fur sets and pony
skin coats.

Holiday Sale.

The greatest and most interesting
sale of the entire holiday season is the
annual sale of the Bucking even-
ings and Co., 177 State street. Not only
is the regular stock better and fuller,
but the entire store is resplendent with
newly arrived stock secured months
ago for you select for Christmas
present. At present they are open ev-
ery night. So every one can have a
chance to visit the store.

A Man's Christmas.

They came to "chase" at the Hub
Clothing House, 926 Main street, cor-
ner of Bank. Everything in maseu-
line wearing apparel, men and boys, at
the right price, consistent with the
standards of quality. A few sug-
gestions might aid in the selection of
a Christmas gift: Overcoats, suits, fur-
nishings, hats, shoes, umbrellas, and
many other things. If you have not
made up your mind yet, call and keep
"mum" about it until Santa Claus calls
for it.

Every Husband

should eliminate the "weekly horror"
of his home by sending a weekly
wash to the Crawford Laundry Co., 435
Fairfield avenue. (Tel. 2910). He would
make the Christmas of his life part-
ner far happier than he could by send-
ing gifts by eliminating from her life
the nerve racking, tiresome drudgery
of every wash day. The cost is small
and satisfaction repays a thousand-
fold. Try it one week and you
are a convert for life to the "Crawford
way."

A Hint to Conservative Buyers.

Trade where prices are right—the
lowest prices consistent with quality
in jewelry, watches, etc., rule at Par-
ker's, the jeweler, 9 P. O. Arcade.
Most appropriate gifts at Yuletide are
rings, watches, fobs, chains, umbrellas,
spoons, bracelets, lockets, neck chains,
gold and rosary beads, clocks, in fact
a thousand and one things; it is impos-
sible to enumerate here. If you have not
decided upon a gift for father, moth-
er, brother, sister or sweetheart, don't
wait, call on Parker and inspect his
fresh and stock-date variety of gifts.
You will soon settle the vexatious prob-
lem by selecting something satisfactory,
within your means, and which will
prove an everlasting delight to the re-
cipient. On anything of this kind
you will find numerous sugges-
tions for appropriate Christmas gifts
in Parker's adv. Look it over.

Remove Salt Crystals.

Nothnagle's removal sale continues
to be the center of attraction for the
thrifty housewife who knows that
money saved is money made. The
great mass of household necessities
continues unabated since this remark-
able sale started. The phenomenal
business done here in the past few
weeks amply demonstrates the great
popularity of the Nothnagle store.
This sale offers a magnificent selection
of useful and ornamental house-
hold furnishings, including the best
of the Nothnagle store. The finest
furniture in Bridgeport, a beautiful
new line of rugs, carpets,
mattings, linoleum, oil cloth, lace cur-
tains, portieres, couch covers, baby
carriages, cradles, pictures, etc.
Everything at a great reduction dur-
ing this sale except Glenwood ranges
and heaters. And you get them at
such a handsome Christmas souvenir
picture, as advertised elsewhere in this
paper.

Building Sold to Pol.

The great closing out sale of Brad-
shaw Clothing Co.'s clothing stock
still continues as Pol has positively
bought the building. Bradshaw will
get out to make way for the new
house. Next week the clothing stock
is to be removed to their splendid
largest clothing store at 1057 East
Main street. Now is your chance to
get bargains in clothing at 1254 Main
street. The prices are so low. Many of
the finest and latest styles of suits and
overcoats are being sold at a price
time until everything is sold out. Fix-
tures and show cases for sale at al-
most 1-3 their value. Bargains in
clothing that cannot be matched in
any other city are now on sale.
Never before! Never again! Speak
and buy quick and save big money
at this sale. Bradshaw Clothing Co.,
1254 Main street, Bridgeport, Conn.

Useful Christmas gifts in neckwear,
suspenders, gloves, jewelry handker-
chiefs, shirts, etc. at prices below any
seen in the city.

Christmas Gifts at Thing's Shoe Store.

If you want to give one thing with
absolute assurance of pleasing the re-
cipient give something in footwear.
Our store is a veritable warehouse of
footwear suitable for Christmas
presents, and the difference between
our prices and prices elsewhere was
never so pronounced as now. If you
don't care to have your Christmas gift
expenditures exceed a certain amount
come here and choose them. For men
we have a splendid showing of slippers
in many styles, warm lined shoes and
artificial, felt boot outfits, rubber boots
in extra high tops and medium cut,
high top shoes and regular cut boots,
leggings, overcoats, etc. For women
a handsome line of felt and leather
slippers at prices that will surprise
you. Warm lined shoes and artificial,
rubber boots, hosiery, leggings, over-
coats, etc. For boys and girls high
top rubber boots, artificial slippers, high
cut shoes, hosiery and leggings. Do
not delay any longer, come today to
Thing's shoe store, 1153 Main street,
where you will find the biggest show-
ing of footwear in the city. Store
open evenings until Christmas.

Extraordinary

Christmas presentation at the stores of

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea

Company; a very handsome, fine china,
brilliantly decorated salad bowl will be
given to purchasers of our famous
tea, coffees, baking powder, extracts
and spices. We have taken particular
pains to stock our store with all new
fresh goods in this line. We can say
with the utmost confidence that the A.
and P. stores are stocked with every-
thing of the best quality at the low-
est cash prices for the holiday
trade. We want every patron of the
A. and P. and all our friends and
neighbors to come here today to
Christmas. We know they will if they
buy their supplies at the A. and P.
stores. We call your special attention
to the reduced prices of all seasonable
goods. As this will probably be our
last announcement before Christmas
we will take this opportunity to thank
you heartily for the support given us
during the past year, and wish you
and your friends a very Merry Christ-
mas and a Happy and Prosperous New
Year.

To save grease when frying dough-
nuts, put half a teaspoonful of ginger-
ale in the grease when hot.

WISSNER PIANOS

We have a piano for every taste and pocketbook in our
large and varied assortment. No matter what amount you
have set aside as your limit, we can show you the best piano
it will buy. We are manufacturers, therefore can save you
the middleman's profit. You also have the satisfaction of
BUYING DIRECT.

Used Piano Bargains

We have received some ex-
ceptional fine Pianos in trade
recently from people who
purchased Grand Pianos and
Player Pianos. Some of them
came from homes where they
received the very best of care
and attention. Some standard
makes are included—Pianos
which cost five and six hun-
dred dollars a few years ago.
It must be remembered that
the Wissner Piano is in the
manufacturing business—we
are makers—not buyers—
therefore it is to our interest
to dispose of our used Pianos
promptly. We find the best
method is to advertise them